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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2002, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

thercin. Please add new claim 65-132 as given below.

least one porgus collagen layer covered on at least one side with a collagen membrane prepared by a compression of a collagen sponge at a pressure of at least about 50 bage 891.88 LH

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